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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of

Bryan Whittle, et al.

Serial No. 09/653,201

Filed: August 31, 2000



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For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INTERCONNECTING MULTIPLE VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORKS**

RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

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Sir:

Attached is the executed Declaration for Patent Application in compliance with the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (copy enclosed) mailed October 18, 2000. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that this application is entitled to a filing date of August 31, 2000, the date upon which the specification and drawings were received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The calculation for payment of the application fee is as follows:

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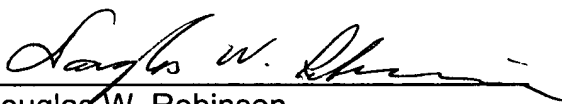
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Respectfully submitted,

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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$108.
 - \$108 for 6 total claims over 20.
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